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¶1. (C) Poloff met February 2 with Frederick Junge, desk officer in the office of Chemical and Biological Weapons Disarmament at the MFA and delivered reftel demarche. Junge said the MFA shares the USG's strong opposition to Iran as Executive Council Chair of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW). He added that the MFA was eager to develop a common strategy with the U.S., the UK and Germany during the February 6 video conference. The MFA had not yet considered alternative candidates from within the Asian Group, but would be receptive to U.S. leadership on this issue.

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